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Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56 and 1.97(b), Applicants bring to the attention of the Examiner the documents on the attached listing. To the knowledge of the undersigned, this Information Disclosure Statement ("IDS") is being filed before the mailing of a first Office Action after the filing of a Request for Continued Examination under 37 C.F.R § 1.114.

The documents listed in this IDS were first cited in a Notification of Reasons for Rejection ("Notification") from the Japanese Patent Office in a counterpart foreign patent application. Copies of the listed foreign documents are attached. Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner consider the listed documents and indicate that they were considered by making appropriate notations on the attached form.

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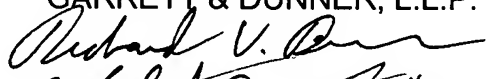

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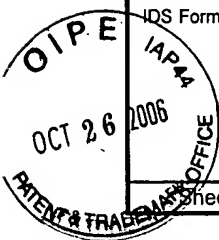
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